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In re Application of  
Bruce D. Melick, et al.  
Application No. 09/774,831  
Filed: January 31, 2001  
Attorney Docket No. P04879US1

ON PETITION

This is a decision in response to the petition, filed February 16, 2005, to revive the above-identified application under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b).

The petition is DISMISSED since it is not properly executed. The petition is signed by only one of the three joint inventors.

37 CFR 1.33(b) states that:

Amendments and other papers filed in the application must be signed by:

- (1) An attorney or agent of record appointed in compliance with § 1.34(b);
- (2) A registered attorney or agent not of record who acts in a representative capacity under the provisions of § 1.34(a);
- (3) The assignee of record of the entire interest, if there is an assignee of record of the entire interest;
- (4) An assignee of record of an undivided part interest, and any assignee(s) of the remaining interest and any applicant retaining an interest, if there is an assignee of record of an undivided part interest; or
- (5) **All of the applicants (§§ 1.42, 1.43 and 1.47) for patent, unless there is an assignee of record of the entire interest and such assignee has taken action in the application in accordance with §§ 3.71 and 3.73.**

This is **not** final agency action within the meaning of 5 U.S.C. § 704. Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this decision. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are permitted. The reconsideration request should include a cover letter entitled "Renewed Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b)" and include a ratification of the unsigned petition. No further petition fee is required.

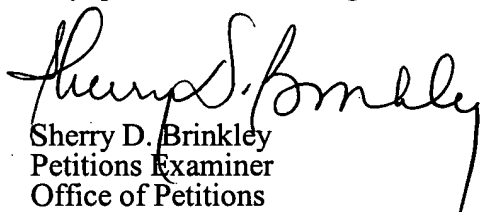
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